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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re: Patent Application of : Group Art Unit: 1648  
Donald Siegel, et al. :  
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Appln. No.: 09/407,182 : Examiner: Robert Budens  
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DETECTION OF ANTIBODY BINDING : (053893-5009-01)  
TO CELLS : (J-1500-D01)

**RESPONSE TO THE RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

This Response to the Restriction Requirement responds to the Restriction Requirement mailed on September 25, 2001 (Paper No. 6), in the above-captioned application. This Response is being timely filed in view of the accompanying Petition for a Three-Month Extension of Time and associated fees.

Responsive to the Restriction Requirement, Applicants hereby elect to prosecute the claims of Group I, claims 10-19, drawn to methods of detecting cell agglutination. This election is made without traverse and without prejudice to the inclusion of the subject matter of the non-elected claims in any later filed divisional application.

Favorable examination of claims 10-19 is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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